dignity to the proceedings of the Council. I beg to convey our hearty thanks also to the Assistant Agent, Major Fraser Tytler, who was able to respond to my invitation, and whose presence on the occasion is much appreciated.

With these few observations, I declare the session open. The business of the session will now be proceeded with in the order set forth in the agenda.

Bills assented to by H. H. the Maharaja.

Mr. T. K. Krishna Menon.—Sir, I have the honour to announce to the House that a Bill to amend the Cattle Trespass Regulation passed by the Council at its meeting of Friday, the 26th of Vrischigam 1101, corresponding to the 11th of December 1925, has received the assent of His Highness the Maharaja of Cochin, on the 27th of Edavam 1101, corresponding to the 9th of June 1926.

Similarly, the Cochin Criminal Law Amendment Bill, passed on the same day, has received the assent of His Highness the Maharaja on the same aforesaid date.

Lapsing of Questions and Answers printed and circulated, but not disposed off.

Dr. A. G. Menon.—A point of order, Sir. May I know whether the questions and answers, printed and placed on the Council table, but not considered and disposed off by the Council in the ordinary course of business, may be taken as lapsed.

President.—I believe I have given a ruling on this point in the last meeting of the Council. Well, these questions and answers are placed on the table and are published, and these questions must be taken to have been answered; for, the one hour devoted for the consideration of questions is to enable members to put supplementary questions on the answers furnished; and if, within that hour, you are not able to finish the business, the questions and answers are over. That is my ruling.

The Secretary reads a question—question number so and so—; this is simply to enable the member who puts the question to put supplementary questions in respect of the answers given, so that, if we are not able to get through all the questions in the list, all the questions must be taken to have been answered. That is my ruling.

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